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DELIVER TO NEA/ARN, DAY AT OPENING OF BUSINESS.

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: 0900 LEBANON REPORT

1. AT THE END OF A LOVELY WEEKEND ALL HELL BROKE LOOSE
LAST NIGHT IN THE RAS BEIRUT AREA. IT WAS THE NOSIEST
THAT THIS PART OF TOWN HAS EVER EXPERIENCED. AS YOU ARE
AWARE, MORE AMERICANS LIVE IN RAS BEIRUT THAN IN ANY OTHER
PART OF TOWN AND EFFECT ON COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE
OFFICIAL FAMILY, HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN GOOD. ACS IS
CLOSED THIS MORNING FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE IT WAS
OPENED. AUB HAD HOPED TO REOPEN BEFORE THE END OF THE
WEEK BUT KIRKWOOD TOLD ME THIS MORNING HE DOUBTED VERY
MUCH THAT THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE. SOME EMBASSY
PERSONNEL JITTERY, REFLECTING DEPENDENTS' PROFOUND
UNEASINESS. FORTUNATELY I HAD ORDERED BACK
OUR DOCTOR FROM FAMILIARIZATION TOUR IN TURKEY AND
HE IS AVAILABLE TO DISPENSE MILTOWNS OR HANDLE
MORE SERIOUS PROBLEMS. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AFTERNOONS
WE HAD MOVIES IN THE EMBASSY, PRINCIPALLY FOR DEPENDENTS
AND JUNIOR STAFF. FOR MANY THIS WAS THE FIRST
MOVIE THAT THESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SEE
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IN OVER FOUR WEEKS AND WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED.

2. SAW RACHID KARAME YESTERDAY AT VERY SMALL SOCIAL
FUNCTION. HE APPEARED MUCH BETTER AND WELL RESTED.
HE IS GROPING FOR A SOLUTION BUT DOESN'T HAVE AN
ANSWER. TAQLA RETURNED YESTERDAY FROM CAIRO, HOPE
TO BE SEEING HIM TODAY OR TOMORROW. NOTHING NEW RE
DISASTER RELIEF BUT WE MAY BE COMING UP WITH SUGGESTION
FOR SOME ANTIBIOTICS WHICH ARE RUNNING SHORT.

3. FRIENDS OF ITALIAN AMBASSADOR VINCENZO DE BENEDICTIS,
WHOSE LAST POST WAS A LONG TOUR IN WASHINGTON AS DCM,
WILL BE DISTRESSED TO LEARN HE SUFFERED SERIOUS
STROKE YESTERDAY AND IS AT AUBH.
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